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COMMITTEE REPORT

YES:	6
NO:	5

MR. SPEAKER:

*Your Committee on Environmental Affairs, to which was referred House Bill 1847, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill **be amended** as follows:*

- 1 Delete the title and insert the following:
- 2 A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning
- 3 natural resources.
- 4 Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:
- 5 SECTION 1. IC 14-22-42 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
- 6 AS A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
- 7 JULY 1, 2005]:
- 8 **Chapter 42. Regulation of Cervid Herds on Private Property**
- 9 **Sec. 1. The general assembly finds that certain privately owned**
- 10 **real property is unique and needs special consideration because of**
- 11 **all of the following conditions:**
- 12 (1) The private property owner desires to provide a unique
- 13 habitat that is reasonably expected to provide habitat for wild
- 14 turkeys, deer, ducks, blue herons, hawks, and other native
- 15 animal life.

- 1 **(2) The private property is reasonably expected to preserve in**
 2 **periods of normal rainfall at least five (5) acres of wetland and**
 3 **at least five (5) acres of ponds.**
- 4 **(3) The private property is reasonably expected to preserve**
 5 **shrubs, fruit trees, hardwood trees, bottomland trees and**
 6 **shrubs, evergreen trees, medium diversity prairie with**
 7 **wildflowers, high diversity prairie with wildflowers, short**
 8 **grass prairie, wooded wet seed mix, wet prairie with**
 9 **wildflowers, and other native plant life.**
- 10 **(4) The private property owner does not allow hunting of**
 11 **native animal life for a fee.**
- 12 **(5) The private property is owned by one (1) person and has**
 13 **a fence enclosing more than six hundred forty (640) acres.**
- 14 **Sec. 2. (a) Except as provided in IC 14-22-1 through**
 15 **IC 14-22-40, 345 IAC 2-7-3 concerning cervid herd registration:**
- 16 **(1) does not apply to; and**
 17 **(2) may not be enforced on;**
- 18 **real property described in section 1 of this chapter.**
- 19 **(b) The Indiana state board of animal health may not adopt or**
 20 **enforce a rule to require cervid herd registration on property**
 21 **described in section 1 of this chapter.**
- (Reference is to HB 1847 as introduced.)

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

Representative Wolkins